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H. RES. 752

Honoring the life and expressing condolences of the House of Representatives on the passing of the Honorable Joe D. Waggonner, Jr., former United States Congressman.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 17, 2007

Mr. McCrery (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Boustany, Mr. Baker, Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Jindal, and Mr. Melancon) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

RESOLUTION

- Honoring the life and expressing condolences of the House of Representatives on the passing of the Honorable Joe D. Waggonner, Jr., former United States Congressman.
- Whereas Joe D. Waggonner, Jr. was born on September 7, 1918, near Plain Dealing, Louisiana;
- Whereas Joe D. Waggonner, Jr. graduated from Plain Dealing High School and Louisiana Tech University;
- Whereas Joe D. Waggonner, Jr. was a distinguished veteran who served in the United States Navy during—
 - (1) World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander; and
 - (2) the Korean war;

- Whereas Joe D. Waggonner, Jr. was elected to serve in the House of Representatives through a special election in 1961 and served for nine terms;
- Whereas during his tenure in the House of Representatives, Congressman Waggonner served on several important congressional committees, including the Committee on Science and Astronautics, the Committee on House Administration, and the Committee on Ways and Means;
- Whereas during his 18 years of service as a member of Congress, Congressman Waggonner worked to improve conditions in northwest Louisiana, including by—
 - (1) playing an instrumental role in planning for and securing funding for Interstate Route 49;
 - (2) securing funding for the Bert Kouns Industrial Loop and the Inner Loop Expressway in the vicinity of Shreveport, Louisiana; and
 - (3) working to develop the Red River for navigation; and
- Whereas Congressman Waggonner remained active in public service after his retirement from the House of Representatives in 1979, including by serving as—
 - (1) Chairman and President Emeritus of the Greater Bossier Economic Foundation; and
 - (2) a member of President Reagan's National Commission on Social Security Reform: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) honors the life and accomplishments of the
- 3 Honorable Joe D. Waggonner, Jr., former United
- 4 States Congressman; and

- 1 (2) expresses its condolences to his family and
- 2 the people of the State of Louisiana at his passing.

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